

EPIPHANY

JANUARY 3, 2010 ~~~ 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS
FAITH FIRST MOMENT Money and Manna
MEMORIAL DEDICATION

INVOCATION
*SONGS I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry 2051
I Stand In Awe

SMALL TALK Children are invited to come to the Communion Rail
(Children's worship packets available, no Sunday School today)

*SONG You Are Mine 2218

JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER 895

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
OFFERING
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 43:1-7

MESSAGE: "GOD IS WITH US!" - REV. JEFF REGAN

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*SONG Lord God, Almighty 2006

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*(Please stand as you are able)

UMW NOTES FOR JANUARY

Sunday, January 10
UMW Sunday; Dedication of Officers & Mission Moment

Wednesday, January 13
9:00 a.m. Love Circle - home of Margaret Bylen
Program: Visiting those who are homebound

Thursday, January 14
9:30 a.m. Patience Circle - Parlor
Program: Let's Get Together for Spiritual Growth,
By: Diane McElreath

7:30 p.m. New Hope Circle - Parlor
Program: AED Training, Debbie Branham

Wednesday, January 27
9:00 a.m. UMW Executive Board - Parlor

EARLY CO-OP PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2010

Begins on Monday, January 4 at 4:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Cooperative Preschool will hold early phone registration FOR ST. PAUL'S FAMILIES, FAMILIES ENROLLED IN ST. PAUL'S PARENT/TOT PROGRAM AND CURRENT ST. PAUL'S PRESCHOOL FAMILIES ONLY; registration for general public begins on February 1. If you are interested in enrolling your child in the 3-year-old or 4-year-old program, please call the school at 248-652-3740 on Monday, January 4 beginning at 4:00 pm. The calls will be date and time stamped by the school voice mail, and priority for enrolling students will be determined based on the order in which the calls are received. When calling, please leave your name, your child's name, birth date, address, phone number and class preference, including AM or PM. Classes are offered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 4-year-olds, and Tuesdays and Thursdays for 3-year-olds.



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THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

(Please call 248-651-9361 three weeks in advance to schedule your event on our calendar)
The Word @ Home - request weekly email to prepare for upcoming worship.
E-mail your name and daytime phone number to:
wordathome@stpaulsrochester.org

WEDNESDAY, December 30th:
9:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Group - Call (248) 652-3937
THURSDAY, December 31st: [Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - noon]
FRIDAY, January 1st: [HAPPY NEW YEAR!]
CHURCH CLOSED

SATURDAY, January 2nd:
10:00 a.m. Alcoholics Anonymous - Room 123

MONDAY, January 4th:
6:00 p.m. Youth Choir - Choir Room
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 123 - Rooms 120 - 123
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Parent Meeting - Room 129
7:00 p.m. History & Archives Meeting - Room 132
7:00 p.m. Epworth Choir - Choir Room
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball - Hickey Hall
7:30 p.m. Membership Meeting - Parlor

TUESDAY, January 5th:
9:00 a.m. Full Staff - Parlor
9:30 a.m. Prayerful Yoga & Christian Meditation - Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Walking in Faith - meet outside Hickey Hall
1:30 p.m. Book Group ("Have a Little Faith") - Parlor
6:00 p.m. Prayerful Yoga & Christian Meditation - Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Trustees - Room 132
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Hickey Hall
7:30 p.m. Co-Op Preschool Board Meeting - Rooms 128, 129

WEDNESDAY, January 6th:
9:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Group - Call (248) 652-3937
9:30 a.m. H.U.G.S. - Rooms 128, 129
5:00 p.m. God & Country - Parlor
5:00 p.m. LOGOS ("Winter Wonderland") / 360 - Hickey Hall, the Lounge
6:30 p.m. Confirmation - Rooms 122, 123
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir - Choir Room

THURSDAY, January 7th:
9:00 a.m. DISCIPLE I Bible Study - Room 131
9:00 a.m. DISCIPLE II Bible Study - Room 132
6:30 p.m. Canterbury Ringers - Bell Room
7:30 p.m. Wesley Ringers - Bell Room

FRIDAY, January 8th:
9:00 a.m. Career Networking Group - Room 132
12:30 p.m. Al-Anon - Room 123
2:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous - Room 123

SATURDAY, January 9th:
8:00 a.m. United Methodist Men Breakfast & Study - Hickey Hall
10:00 a.m. Alcoholics Anonymous - Room 123
7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group Lock-In - the Lounge

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10:00 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE How Brightly Shines the Morning Star
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS
INVOCATION

*SONG Seek Ye First 405

SMALL TALK Children are invited to come to the Communion Rail
(Children's worship packets available, no Sunday School today)

*SONG As the Deer 2025

JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER 895

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING What Child is This

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 2:41-52

MESSAGE: "LOST IN THE TEMPLE" - REV. JACK AMICK

*SONG Carol of the Epiphany 2094

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Joy to the World

*(Please stand as you are able)



As we begin the NEW YEAR

NEW MEMBER CLASS ~ 2010

If you've been considering church membership, come learn more about St. Paul's - who we are and where you can connect. On Sunday, February 28 and March 7, there will be classes during the 10:00 Sunday School hour in Rev. Regan's Office. On March 14, new members may join during the 11:00 a.m. worship service, followed by a celebration luncheon from 12:15-1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. If you'd like to join this New Member Class, call the church office 248-651-9361 to sign up. For further information, contact Rev. Latha Ravi.



2010 BAPTISM DATES

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is an important event in the life of a child and the church. We know that families need time to plan and "gather the clan" for the day, so we will be listing scheduled baptism times a few months in advance. We hope this will help both family and church scheduling. The upcoming dates in 2010 are: January 17, March 21, and May 9. If you wish to be included, please call the church office 248-651-9361.



SUNDAY IN OUR CHURCH ~ December 27, 2009

10:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP:

Preacher: Rev. Jack Amick; Dr. Randall, Director of Music; Rick MacDonald, Head Usher 10:00 a.m.; Leslie Schneider, Greeter Coordinator
BIRTH THROUGH FOUR-YEAR-OLDS: Rooms 116-117
GOD'S SPECIAL GIFTS (For All Ages): Room 207

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY: [Children's Worship Packets available]

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY:

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Jeanne and Michael Gable's 40th Anniversary.

SUNDAY IN OUR CHURCH ~ January 3, 2010

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP:

Preacher: Rev. Jeff Regan, Dr. Randall, Director of Music; Jim Ludlow, Head Usher 9:00 a.m.; Bob Cleveland, Head Usher 11:00 a.m.
BIRTH THROUGH FOUR-YEAR-OLDS: Rooms 116-117
GOD'S SPECIAL GIFTS (For All Ages): Room 207

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY: [Children's Worship Packets available]

10:00 a.m. COFFEE HOUR: Matt & Michele Moore, Host.

12:00 p.m. COFFEE HOUR: Self Serve

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Susan Amick's 40th birthday from her family; Jack, Evelyn and Samuel. And in honor of St. Paul's Adult Ministry from the grateful Disciple 2 class.

Coming Next Sunday ... January 10

DONATIONS TO THE FOOD PANTRY



Next **Sunday, January 10**, the Food Pantry is asking that we bring in **Cereal/Oatmeal** to assist them this month.

NOISY OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY!

We will be collecting a "noisy" offering on Sunday, **January 10**. Proceeds of this special offering will go to Henri Dennis School in Liberia. Please bring your COINS!

SPARKlers: "St. Paul's Afternoon Reading Klub"

1st Tuesday of each month; 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., Parlor

Here's a great place for book lovers! On January 5, we will discuss *Have a Little Faith* by Mitch Albom. If you love to read and would like to be part of the discussion, please join us in the Parlor.

SPONSORSHIP OF ALTAR FLOWERS ~2010



Through your generous support, the sponsorship of altar flowers at St. Paul's has remained a loving tradition and a beautiful part of the worship experience. We are asking for your support of this ministry. There are openings for sponsorships in 2010. If you would like to sign up to sponsor a flower in honor or in memory of a loved one or need more information, please call Flo Alling, 248-651-4836 or Gladys Stebbins, 248-651-7044.

PRAYERFUL YOGA & CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday mornings, 9:30 – 10:45 a.m. or Tuesday evenings, 6:00 -7:15 p.m. Sanctuary; 6 weeks, January 5 - February 9

An opportunity to become aware of your body, mind and spirit, and their need for nurture and nourishment. This calm, meditative yoga will support your ability to breathe, stretch and center your attention on God's presence in your life. Scripture, prayer, and song will be incorporated into each class. Led by Certified Yoga Instructor, Susan Amick. Mats will be available for those who do not have one to bring to class. Contact the church office at 248-651-9361 to register; class limited to 20 participants. Class fee of \$35 is payable at first session.

YOUNG-AT-HEART-ADULTS LUNCHEON & PROGRAM

Tuesday, January 19, Noon – Hickey Hall, Parlor

Jim Hensley will present a program entitled "What Banks Won't Tell You". All are invited to attend. Please call the church office (248-651-9361) for reservations by Friday, January 15 to sign up. Cost is \$7.00 for lunch.

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JANUARY 3, 2010 ~~~ 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Prelude on Bunnesan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 139

UNISON PRAYER: (People seated) Comforting God, we give You thanks for never leaving us. You call us together from the east, west, north and south. We thank You that You have made us new as Your church. Help us to remember that You are always with us and that nothing can separate us from Your love. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND INTERCESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Leader); THE LORD'S PRAYER 895

RESPONSE: (#487) This is our prayer. This is our prayer, O God

MEMORIAL DEDICATION

MUSIC

FAITH FIRST MOMENT Money and Manna

SMALL TALK Children are invited to come to the Communion Rail
(Children's worship packets available, no Sunday School today)

*PSALTER Psalm 29 761

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881

*GLORIA PATRI 71

*HYMN *Stand By Me* 512

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE: (#898) 3-fold Amen

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (#94) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7

RESPONSE: Leader: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "GOD IS WITH US!" – REV. JEFF REGAN

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*RECESSIONAL HYMN: *How Firm a Foundation* 529

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE: (#671, vs.1) Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE *Fanfare in C (Bach)*

* (Please stand as you are able)

ROCHESTER REMEMBERS DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Sunday, January 17; 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Sanctuary

The Rochester Area Ministerial Association in partnership with Rochester Community Schools will pay tribute to the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at a celebration of diversity to be held on Sunday, January 17 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The event will feature a multi-media presentation, choral music by local church adult and children choirs, reflections on both the teaching and Dr. King and those who influenced him, and light refreshments. The program is open to the public and is free of charge. Community members are invited to reflect on the life and accomplishments of the late civil rights leader.

LOGOS ~ Wednesday Nights

If you are in 3rd - 8th grade and haven't experienced LOGOS, then now is the time to sign up. LOGOS kicks backs off on Wednesday, January 6 with a "Winter Wonderland". You won't want to miss the action packed nights of games, dinner and Bible study. If you haven't already registered, contact Susan Mason at 248-651-9361 to get all the details.

GOD & COUNTRY

~~ Open to all Youth – Grades 3rd – 12th ~

Wednesdays, January 6 – February 10

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

(no class on January 27); Cost: \$32

While God & Country is recognized by scouting to achieve religious service awards, God & Country is open to all youth who desire to grow stronger in faith and in service to God. While participants receive recognition and awards at the 9:00 a.m. service on Scout Sunday, February 14, they also acquire lifelong lessons from studying the Bible, working with an adult Christian, getting to know their pastor, and designing their own projects to reinforce Bible lessons. All program materials, dinner and awards are included in the cost. Contact Susan Mason at 248-651-9361 for registration and more information.

Faith First

January: Money and Manna

Living Abundantly even in Scarcity

GOOD SENSE BUDGET COURSE

Biblical Financial Principles for

Transforming Your Finances and Life

Sunday, January 10; 4:00-7:30 p.m.; Parlor
and Wednesdays January 13, 20, 27, and February 3;
6:30-7:30 p.m.; Parlor

Learn how you can experience grace, joy, and freedom through Biblical financial principles. This nationally renowned Christian budgeting program will be kicked off Sunday, January 10 by Rev. David Bell, V.P. of Stewardship; Methodist Foundation of Michigan. The introductory session will cover the first two units of the program and include a light supper. The next four sessions will be led by Mike Gable on the following Wednesday evenings. It is recommended that participants complete some preliminary sections of the book prior to the first session. The cost for a book and dinner January 10: \$12 for 1 person, \$14 for 2 people, and \$16 for a family. Please contact the church office at (248) 651-9361 to reserve your book and dinner. ** Call the church for childcare information.

CHILI COOK-OFF

Sunday, January 24, noon – Hickey Hall



Do you make a yummy chili? Do you enjoy tasting different people's chili? You'll have a chance to do both on January 24 at St. Paul's first Chili Cook-Off. So mark your calendar, dig out a favorite chili recipe and plan to bring at least a crock-pot of it. If you prefer to be a taster and not cook, be sure to join us to taste and vote for your favorites. The Membership Committee will provide macaroni and cheese for people who do not eat chili, and cornbread for all. To help us plan, call the church office and let us know if you are coming and if you are bringing a crock-pot of chili. Activities and crafts for kids will be available during this time. There will be a free will offering. Any proceeds will go to the Baldwin Center.